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PASSIFLORA EDULIS



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FRUITING PASSION VINE

The Passion Vine thrives in California. It is not yet well known, however, and hence its fruit has not come into general use. In Australia it is extensively grown.

The fruit is the size and shape of an egg, and contains a pulp of exceedingly good flavor. It is consumed much in the same manner as an egg,—that is, by cutting off one end and removing the contents with a spoon. The pulp is also used as a flavoring for cakes, ice-creams, drinks and sweet-meats, and is a much appreciated addition to fruit salads. It packs and ships well.

Cultivation in a commercial way is simple. Use a wire trellis; that is, an ordinary wire fence with posts fifteen feet apart, planting a vine between each post and training the main stem up to reach the wires. Grows well in any ordinary open soil, and likes abundant fertilization. Bears a full crop when two years old, and the vine should be renewed after five years. Would be a suitable crop for growing in young orchards between the tree rows, to be removed about the time the orchard comes into bearing.

We recommend the general use of the Fruiting Passion Vine as an addition to the home garden to be planted on screens, pergolas, side fences or as shade for the chicken pens. Its rich green foliage is more ornamental than that of the average vine, and the fruit crop is of first importance.

The vine is a vigorous grower, and is quite hardy.

Price, large plants in 4 inch pots by mail, 50 cents each; by the hundred by express, 30 cents each.

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